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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM: SUBGROUP ON ENERGY,
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REF: MEXICO 11217 AND 11231

1) DEPARTMENT SHARES SOME OF EMBASSY'S CONCERN OVER
OAXACA AS MEETING PLACE. HOWEVER, IF MEXICANS STICK
WITH OAXACA PROPOSAL, WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO MEET
THERE AND WOULD IN THAT EVENT NOT EXPECT TO CALL ON EMBASSY
FOR LOGISTIC SUPPORT EXCEPT WHEN TRANSITING MEXICO CITY.
OTHER CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY EMBASSY ARE ALSO WELL-TAKEN
AND HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN PREPARATION OF
REPLY TO WARMAN IN PARAS 3-9, WHICH EMBASSY IS REQUESTED
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TO FORWARD TO WARMAN SOONEST.

2) WILL FORWARD TO EMBASSY LIST OF DELEGATES AND FLIGHT
DATA AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. PRESENTLY ANTICIPATE ARRIV-
ING MEXICO CITY WEDNESDAY, JULY 13 AT 2118 VIA EA 909.

3) QUOTE: DEAR DR. WARMAN: THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER

OF JULY 6, WHICH WAS TRANSMITTED TO US BY OUR EMBASSY.

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU AND WOULD PREFER THE JULY 14-16 DATES (THURSDAY-SATURDAY) SUGGESTED IN YOUR LETTER. THE US DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE TEN TO 12 PERSONS.

4) AS TO THE LOCATION, IT MIGHT BE SOMEWHAT MORE CONVENIENT IF THE MEETING COULD BE HELD IN MEXICO CITY OR ITS SUBURBS, OR IN A LOCATION WHICH IS REASONABLY CLOSE, RATHER THAN IN OAXACA. HOWEVER, IF AT THIS POINT YOUR PLANS FOR OAXACA ARE TOO FAR ADVANCED TO CHANGE, WE WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO MEETING THERE.

5) WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE THE MEETING DISCUSS MOST OF THE ISSUES OUTLINED IN YOUR LETTER, AND BELIEVE THAT THEY CAN, AS APPROPRIATE, BE COMBINED WITH TOPICS IN OUR LETTER OF JUNE 22. GIVEN THE LENGTH AND DIVERSITY OF THE AGENDA, THE INEVITABLY LIMITED SIZE OF OUR DELEGATION, AND THE FACT THAT THIS WILL BE THE SUBGROUP'S FIRST MEETING, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO DISCUSS ALL OF THE TOPICS AS FULLY AS MIGHT BE WISHED. BUT WE WILL BE READY TO LISTEN TO MEXICAN VIEWS ON ALL SUBJECTS, WITH THE EXPECTATION IN SOME CASES OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RESPONDING TO THOSE VIEWS AT A LATER DATE.

6) CONCEPTUALLY, WE ARE SURE YOU WOULD AGREE THAT DISCUSSION OF ALL TOPICS TO BE RAISED MUST BE BASED ON THE PRINCIPLE OF MUTUAL BENEFIT. WHILE WE RECOGNIZE THAT DIFFERING POINTS OF VIEW MAY BE INVOLVED, REFLECTING DIFFERENT LEVELS OF INDUSTRIALIZATION AND OTHER FACTORS, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OUR DISCUSSIONS CONSIDER ISSUES WHERE MUTUAL INTERESTS ARE INVOLVED RATHER THAN ANTICIPATING AN ASYMMETRICAL RELATIONSHIP. WE WOULD EXPECT DURING THE COURSE OF OUR DISCUSSIONS TO EXPLORE COOPERATIVE APPROACHES TO THE ISSUES INVOLVED.

7) THE ITEM ON QUOTE THE OUTLOOK FOR INDUSTRIAL EXPORTS FROM MEXICO TO THE UNITED STATES UNQUOTE (PARA 9D) WOULD APPEAR BETTER TREATED IN THE TRADE SUBGROUP. IT IS THE US DELEGATION TO THAT SUBGROUP WHICH WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES INCLUDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH.

8) ONE OF THE TOPICS MENTIONED IN YOUR LETTER IS QUOTE THE ENERGY POLICIES OF BOTH COUNTRIES AND THEIR POSSIBLE

COORDINATION UNQUOTE. WE BELIEVE THAT IN THIS CONNECTION

IT WOULD BE TIMELY FOR OUR DELEGATION TO EXPLAIN THE
POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING US
GOVERNMENT APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS FOR NATURAL GAS IMPORTS.
WHILE CONSIDERATION OF NATURAL GAS SALES WILL OF COURSE
GO FORWARD AT ITS OWN PACE, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE
USEFUL TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR MEETING TO FURTHER
THIS ONGOING PROCESS.

9) WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE COMING MEETING AS A VALUABLE
STEP TOWARD STRENGTHENING OUR MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING
AND COOPERATION IN THE IMPORTANT FIELDS TO BE ADDRESSED.
SINCERELY, STEPHEN W. BOSWORTH, DEPUTY ASSISTANT
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